

INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT PHENOMENAL FARMING

(Written Specially for The Bulletin.) I had a very pleasant visit, the other evening, from the associate editor of one of the most prominent agricultural papers in the country. His work carries him to all parts of the land. He sees farmers in all the states: farmers engaged in every imaginable form of farm industry. He is himself an enthusiastic believer in the farm and the country. Also, he is a keen observer. And he has a

It was almost like hearing a new instalment of "The Arabian Nights to listen to some of the accounts he gave me of successful farmers he had visited. He told me of one stock man who was simply coining money, not by selling milk or butter, but by rais-ing famey yearlings and selling them to other farmers who were too shiftless or too incapable to raise their own. He told me of one fruit man near Philadelphia who had thousands upon thousands of trees, largely Winesaps, for whose product he hadn't received less than \$5 a barrel, lo, these many years. He told me of another, up in New York, who had just sold his orchard farm for \$13,000,—a big profit on his investment,-largely be cause it had on it a huge orchard of young Greenings which, at ten years old, were bearing several barrels of apples to the tree. At ten years old! Think of it! He told me of another Pennsylvania man who, three or four years ago, bought for a mere song an old farm which the despairing owner couldn't get a living from. It had one broad sloping field, along the upper side, of which it was possible, with small outlay, to lead a brook. He did so. Then he plowed and dug out wide, shallow ditches leading from that the meadow. In these he sowed watercress, and then turned the brook into them. Result; he is now taking to he markets of his nearest big city \$20,000 a year of bunched cress. And so on and so on.

he thought the reasons for these farmers' phenomenal success. "Why

had his own cold storage plant and his own automobile truck. He put his apples into cold storage and held them till the early flood on the markets had subsided. Then he sorted them carefully, and hauled them to Philadelphia. five tons at a time, three trips a day own brother, a big commission mer-chant, who took as much interest in seeing that the orchardist, got the biggest possible prices as he did in making sure of his own commission.
"Lordy, why not," said I, when I learned this; "why, it's a regular Guggenheim family combination."

For another instance: that chap who made \$20,000 a year off a few water-cress ditches, on a farm which would not grow wheat or corn or potatoes or same mental or physical capital. grass. He wasn't a farmer, at all; he that water-cress didn't call for rich business. what it needed was just plain dirt are farmers because we have to be, and clear clean water. He knew the not because we want to be. We were,

While we were talking, I thought had heard of. There was David Rankin, whom I have several times mentioned; the only farmer I ever knew of who made three millions at straight farming, raising corn and Missourl. To use his own phrase about himself, he was a satural-born "twister," by which he meant that he took to money-getting: that he had a knack for it; that he found it perfectly easy to get profit out of crops from which some men

There was Campbell, the apostle of arid farming, whose teachings have reclaimed to human use millions of acres of land once thought too dry to produce crops. He was born with an unusual combination of Yankee inventiveness and Scotch persistence, His Scotch blood wouldn't allow him let go of a problem till he had vorried its secret out: his Yankee keenness showed him how to circum-vent his opponent, and where, when the right moment came, to seize it in a strangle hold. His work has been very uncommon; but then, he was an

Now, the examples of these and other unusually successful farmers are, without doubt, inspiring and illuminating. But I don't hold with he too common moral deduced from them: "Go thou and do likewise. There are two-minute trotters in one erons in the next who couldn't get over a mile in ten minutes, even if chased by a bear. Likewise there are a sof cultivated fields.

corkscrewing brooks, green with lush and less inspiring, is much more useful to the world in its humble way.

Perhaps we farmers of "the common farmers, and farmers.

got our price, then our price would be supports? Really, after all is said,

the market price. We can't all of us make \$20,000 : year from water-cress, for the simple reason that, if we should all undertake it, the price of water-cress would drop less than that of hay or potatoes and the entire consuming population would starve to death for lack of something more filling.

We can't all of us manage 18,000 acre corn fields, a la Rankin, for th simple reason that, if we all did, there wouldn't be any one left to drive the five hundred mules and manage the hundred and twenty-four-mule culti-vators necessary to work the crop. We can't all be phenomenal because if we were, then the phenomenal would become the usual. We can't all be in the front rank hind it, there couldn't be any "front"

ten million ceptional about the man or his envir- farmers all perched comfortably on two a squad of locals made a raid and that one wabbly top rung.

while the contemplation of him perceptibly stiffens my sagging back-bone; while I am as eager as any one to clap applause when he has finished at a cost of about one-quarter that his inspiring story of "How I made the assessed against others who had to old farm pay;"—I can't turn round use horses or railroads. Moreover,— and fling stones or success at the halfand here, I think, is the true explana- successes or part-failures who make tion,—the apples were delivered to his up the audience. We also serve who

Farmers, like other men, differently endowed at birth, can't make a bantam rooster out of weren't born that way. Our fathers and mothers didn't give us all the same kinds of brains, because they hadn't all the same kind to pass along. We don't all start with the And farmers, like other men, face was a natural born salesman. He different outlooks from different endidn't know anything much about vironments. Most of us make our own farming, but he knew a whole lot roads before we can drive on them, about markets. He found that one and road-making isn't the same thing the big city wanted more of than through a marshy swamp as it is along it could get was water-cress. He a gravel embankment. We don't all from department bulletins of us have brothers in the commission

a stable brook crossed it. So he put the business, and stick to it simply two and two together,—and made because we can't get out of it alive.

This may be unfortunate. Lots of that this sort of vice must not be tolerated and two together,—and made because we can't get out of it alive.

This may be unfortunate. Lots of the prosecuting authorities and the prosecuting attorney intimates that he will cheerfully do his full hings are unfortunate which nevertheless are true.
Then there's "luck." Theoretically. don't believe in "luck" and logically can prove that there isn't any such hing. But, almost every day, in actual life, I see Something outside of him kick undeserving Tom upstairs nto the guest-chamber, and bludgeon industrious George down into the coal-hole. This may not be "luck," to call it 'Providence.'

As I write, I am looking squarely at the face of a looming mountain. It parefoot fill he was twenty-seven, not rises more than a thousand feet above from poverty nor yet from mere my lowland level. Between me and stinginess, but because he would rath- its foot lies a flat valley floor, crisscrossed with fences, ribboned with

In your hand you hold a five-cent piece.

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Mountain and valley:-If it were all We can't all of us sell our apples ridge sadly; but, if it were all mountat twice the market price, for the simple reason that, if everybody else lation which the fertile intervale now the valley, while more commonplace

were omitted this week. C. E. Social. run," living and working in the humvalley I should miss that imposing drum valleys of life, are yet doing a work as substantial even if not so showy as the few climbers who walk lonely on the windy heights. Perhaps: - who knows?

## NEW LONDON'S MORAL CLEAN UP

Rivalry Between the State Force and the Local Police-Investigating Fire Prevention-Friction Still Continues Over Fire Department.

Seaside City after nightfall a bunch the council committee. American the local police could do a thing or tor of buildings would serve the purgathered in several of the underworld I can't even imagine a farm just population. Gradually thereafter this For instance; that man who regularly got \$5 a barrel for his winesans, when the prevailing wholesale price wasn't more than half that. Well, he below to hold it up. Therefore, while I frankly admire called in again, but this time special car was taken that their presence while the contemplation of t three of the places of ill repute were raided before there was opportunity to give the tip to the other violators of law in that special line.

This time the work was done without the knowledge of the local police and the first known of the raids was when the prisoners were brought to the police station. This action does not signify that the police did not have knowledge of the existence of these places, but does demonstrate that the local police reform in that particular was short-lived and sincere, and demonstrates farther that the directing power of the police de-partment did not desire to have the active members of the police force are willing to do their full duty, but of course they are subject to orders of the gentlemen higher up. The state police did a good job and are entitled to credit.

The state police are not announcing on the dead walls just who prompted the visitation and raids but known that State Attorney Hull knew their coming and so did Prosecut ing Attorney Cronin of the police court and they kept their own counsel until the raids were pulled off. The erated by the prosecuting authorities believed that before final dispositions will be meted to the offenders that will have a demoralizing effect upon he other places of ill repute that evade the unwelcome attention of the state police. Now that the Ice has been broken and the county and the city prosecuting officers have spoken it is expected that the local police will now shape matters so that there will be no occasion for calling in the state

As evidence of good faith, the local police did a little raiding on their own account, and thereby blocked the state officers from receiving added glory. They visited four of the gambling arrested the proprietors and nauled them into court, where sub-stantial fines were inflicted and reeived court warning that should they arraigned again they would be given jall sentences in addition to the fine limit. This gamblers' raid was where the local put just one over on the state police as Chief Egan's mer had that particular raid on the mem-orandum and were planning for the work when the men of Chief Haven's force turned the trick.

Still the state police saw the locals and went them one better and made a iquor raid not far distant from the ublic station. No saloon was visited but liquors were selzed and proof of sales found in a meat market on Sunday, its proprietor being of a sect that prefers observance of the last instead of the first day of the week. It is said that the state police served must be reform in New London.

ford Springs to the store of Miss Ruswould become the usual.

We can't all be in the front rank because, if there wasn't anything be-bind it there couldn't anything be-bind it there couldn't be careful consideration of the apple crop.

I tried to find out from him what he thought the reasons for these farmers' phenomenal success. "Why is it," I asked him, "that these men of the ladder," says the old saw.

But there have got to be lower like were called here for a like purportal, in some, of the larger and while the most of us farmers think these men is association and there about the city. State policemen, who came to association to the bawdy houses that are sprinkled here of the ladder," says the old saw.

But there have got to be lower like were called here for a like purportal, in some, of the larger and while the most of us farmers think there have got to be lower like were called here for a like purportal, in some, of the larger and which are The committee of the business men's winton to visit her soon. you tell of are making small fortunes, while the most of us farmers think ourselves lucky if we can pay our bills and our taxes?" This led to another discussion. And, in each case we discussion hack to its ultimate springs. ed at East Willington Tuesday. pose for a time, at least until the big state pier is completed, trains running over the contemplated new bridge between New London and Groton and a special sermon by the pastor, and the present bridge converted to highway purposes, and in words of the immortal Emmet, "then, and not till day for the annual Children's day conthen" adopt that cumbersome fire ordinance.

> There is an attempt in another quarter to actually meddle into the affairs of the present fire department and even from a dictatorial standpoint which, if not checked, will eventually disrupt the present satisfactory department. Agitation has been started to provide each of the eight fire organizations in the city with motor here. driven apparatus with high-salaried Byron Moore spent a few days with drivers. Think of a city which is the relatives in South Manchester resmallest in area in the state, with eight automobiles responding to an alarm of fire! The city has already two of these auto fire machines and a third has been purchased, with a auto hook and ladder truck in pros-This number would appear to be adequate for all demands, with the four other horse-drawn apparatus in reserve. If there is persistency in the The Rich, Poor, Exalted and Humble idea to equip the whole department with motor driven apparatus, and also to have high-priced drivers, the days of the volunteer department will be economical fire department will upplanted by an expensive and less efficient department.

For twelve years the Niagara com-pany with the first auto-chemical fire apparatus in the United States oper ated the machine and cared for the same without additional expense to the city, and is doing the same at the present time with the more modern apparatus. The Pequot company is doing the same. While preparation is being made for the coming of the Thomas auto the matter of salaried drivers is being agitated. The Niagaras purchased the old auto chemcal and hose wagon and the city al-Powed the company the same for responding to fires that were allowed for horse hire for the other companies. and from the proceeds the company engaged a driver and made good the according to the deficit, if any. This same rule pre- truth, It is a very ails now, with the new machine, and clever and conscithe Niagaras have two hired men, one entious piece of on duty at all times, night and day, work. As an and without any special salary from Astrologer myself the city for the drivers. This plan has worked successfully for nearly amined his Planethirteen years and the Niagaras are tary calculations satisfied with its continuance; willing and to take a chance as to expense, just and proved tha for the sake of aiding in the con-tinuance of the department on the volunteer system, which is so satis-fying to the people of New London up-to-date in his and the great majority of the fire-

### Tolland County SPRING HILL

Funeral of Mrs. Emeline S. Shumway

her home here last Sunday afternoon. She was born in Ashford the daughter of Samuel W. and Polly (Fuller) otice that liquor was being sold legally in several sections of the when she was a child and purchased the dity, and declared that if the local olice did not raid the places that the where she spent most of her life. state police would cheerfully save them that trouble. Special references lived alone in a small house near by, were made to places in the Fort preferring to do so. She had been a Neck and Shaw street districts. State member of the Spring Hill Baptist Attorney Hull has decided that there church over 40 years, was much interested in the work of the Ladies' The fire committee of the New Lon-don Business Men's association pre-ready to furnish food for sociables, sented an ordinance to the court of and much of the credit for the good common council a couple of months suppers was due to her excellent common council a couple of months ago concerning protection against fires, but which has not been adopted by the council, and perhaps for varied and justifiable reasons, but which provides that annual inspection be made of all premises including chimneys in the fire building district at least twice a year and that every building in the city be inspected at least once a year. This work to be done by the chief engineer in addition to his other duties. This, of course, would be a physical important of the council a couple of months suppers was due to her excellent cooking. She was ready to help in any way that she could. She leaves one son, town clerk Bradley M. Sears, a granddaughter, Mrs. Arthur Cummings of Staten Island, N. Y. and two great-grandchildren, daughter and son of Mrs. Cummlings. She is also survived by one sister, Mrs. J. F. Freeman, who is two years older, and two years older, and two gineer in addition to his other duties. This, of course, would be a physical important of the fire building in the city be inspected at least once a year. This work to be done by the chief engineer in addition to his other duties. This, of course, would be a physical important of the fire building in the city be inspected at least once a year. This work to be done by the chief engineer in addition to his other duties. The funeral held Tuosday afternoon at her home, was attended by a large circle of neighbors and formation, books, tracts, etc., but the country to pay you wish, you may enclose to help in any way that she could. She leaves one son, town clerk Bradley M. Sears, a granddaughter, Mrs. Arthur Cummings of Staten Island, N. Y. and two great-grandchildren, daughter and son of Mrs. Cummings. She is also survived by one sister, Mrs. J. F. Freeman, who is two years older, and two mids of pour own country) to pay the postage, clerical work, etc. Do not enclose coins, in letters. Postage to state one son, town country to pay the postage, clerical work, etc. Do not son, town country to pay the postage, clerical work, gineer in addition to his other duties.
This, of course, would be a physical impossibility and there is absolutely no need for any such investigation in the need for any such

selections. Burial was in the Spring Hill Cemetery. Local Briefs.

Erastus Rogers and son Freeman of Noank were here Tuesday to at-tend Mrs. Shumway's funeral, also Walter Cummings of Webster, Mass.

Rev. L. B. Curtis of Stafford has been the guest of E. F. Storrs a part

of the week. Mrs. E. J. Stalker of Brooklyn, N. Y.

is visiting her son, Glen A.

Members of Echo grange who live
on the Hill attended the meeting.

at the Centre last Monday evening, and visited the Storrs grange Tuesday

evening. There were special attrac-

Mrs. A. A. Muir left Monday for

Boston, where she will visit relatives.

Caterpillars are numerous hereabouts, and every one who has apple-trees should make a special effort to

Play at Town Hall.

Milky White, a domestic drama in two acts was given in the Town Hall,

Friday evening. The characters were:

Daniel White (unpopularly known as "Milky White" a Cowkeeper, W. A.

Weld; Dick Dugs (a Cow Boy), G. A.

Stalker; Archibald Good(a Veterin-

ary Surgeon), B. W. Wells; Rude Boy, Mrs. Saddrip (Neighbor of White, and

Proprietrees of a Baby Linen Empor-ium) Mrs. W. A. Weld; Annie White (Daughter of White) Miss C. Evelyn

COVENTRY

Miss Lucy Price to Speak for Anti-

Suffrage-Meetings Omitted.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar F. Storrs of Spring Hill were guests of their son and daughter Sunday.

Mrs. Lucy Price will speak in the chapel this (Saturday) evening against

The meeting of the Boy Scouts, also

The Christian Endeavor society held

a social in the chapel Thursday eve-

William C. Sparne has purchased a

John E. Kingsbury has hired the

pasture on the Ryan farm for the sum-

W. B. Hawkins led the Christian En-

Elected Secretary.

At the meeting of the Tolland Coun-

Sunday School association in Rock-

rille Monday, Miss Ada M. Storrs was

EAST WILLINGTON

Mrs. M. A. Parker has two of her teams in Columbia.

Edith Cushman has returned to Staf-

The frost has done some damage to

Mrs. A. G. Baldwin expects her

daughter and granddaughter from Har-

It is reported that John Taylor has sold his farm to a gentleman who ex-

pects to put part of it into the frog Dr. William V. Wilson of Boston call-

GURLEYVILLE

M. E. church Sunday morning, with

A committee was appointed last Sun.

MT. HOPE.

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Mrs. Frank Larrow and son Bruce

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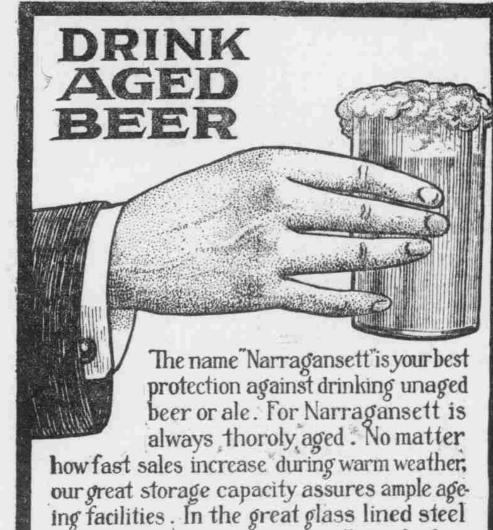
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